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A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §(a)(3)):

English abstracts have been included for JP 10-257900 and JP 59-93099. The following is a list of the cited reference and its English equivalent.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.


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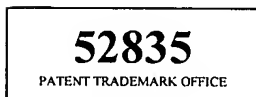
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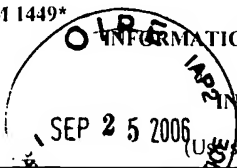
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